

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A) (8)

**TO:** Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** April 21, 2015

**FROM:** R. A. Cuevas, Jr.  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution directing the Mayor to analyze the potential benefits of allowing Special Transportation Services and handicap accessible taxicab vehicles to operate on the South Miami-Dade Busway while engaged in paratransit service and to prepare and submit a report to the Miami-Dade Commission on Disability Issues and this Board

**This item was amended at the 3-11-15 Transportation and Mobility Committee to include handicap accessible taxicabs in the study for potential use of the South Miami-Dade Busway.**

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava.

  
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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing
- ☐ No committee review
- ☐ Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's \_\_\_\_, 3/5's \_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_ ) to approve
- ☐ Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor  
Veto \_\_\_\_\_  
Override \_\_\_\_\_

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4-21-15

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR MAYOR'S  
DESIGNEE TO ANALYZE THE POTENTIAL BENEFITS OF  
ALLOWING SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AND  
HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE TAXICAB VEHICLES TO  
OPERATE ON THE SOUTH MIAMI-DADE BUSWAY WHILE  
ENGAGED IN PARATRANSIT SERVICE AND TO PREPARE  
AND SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE MIAMI-DADE  
COMMISSION ON DISABILITY ISSUES AND THIS BOARD

**WHEREAS**, the South Miami-Dade Busway is a dedicated lane for transit service from  
Dadeland South Metrorail Station to S.W. 344 Street; and

**WHEREAS**, federal guidelines require paratransit services for those individuals unable  
to access existing Miami-Dade Transit service; and

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade County recognizes the importance of providing efficient and  
safe paratransit service to its physically challenged transit patrons; and

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade Transit contracts for Special Transportation Services (STS) to  
serve as the paratransit complement to Miami-Dade Transit's bus service; and

**WHEREAS**, allowing STS >>and handicap accessible taxicab<<<sup>1</sup> vehicles on the South  
Miami-Dade Busway may improve paratransit service by allowing said vehicles to bypass  
congested portions of U.S.-1,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that this Board:

<sup>1</sup> Committee amendments are indicated as follows: Words stricken through and/or [[double  
bracketed]] are deleted, words underscored and/or >>double arrowed<< are added.

**Section 1.** Directs the Mayor or Mayor's designee to analyze the potential benefits of allowing STS >>and handicap accessible taxicab<< vehicles to operate on the South Miami-Dade Busway while engaged in paratransit service ~~[[on behalf of Miami-Dade Transit]]~~. The analysis should identify the number of >>STS<< daily trips on average that could potentially benefit from having access to the South Miami-Dade Busway while engaged in paratransit service on behalf of Miami-Dade Transit and include information about the potential benefits and challenges to the operation of the busway as an integrated transit/paratransit facility.

**Section 2.** Directs the Mayor or Mayor's designee to prepare and submit a report to the Commission on Disability Issues for their input within 60 days, and to this Board within 90 days of the effective date of this resolution and place the completed report to the Board on an agenda of the Board pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava. It was offered by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Jean Monestime, Chairman	
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Vice Chairman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Daniella Levine Cava
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Audrey M. Edmonson
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Dennis C. Moss	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	Xavier L. Suarez
Juan C. Zapata	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2015. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this Resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.



Bruce Libhaber